

Amendments to the Specification:

On page 1, line 1, please make the following amendments to the title:

Systems and Methods for ~~Providing Internet Accessible Registries~~ Reviewing Gift Information

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 14, line 24, with the following amended paragraph:

The present invention can be used in conjunction with a master registry database. In a preferred embodiment, the master registry database is a registry database that is maintained by a retailer that has several outlet stores. Referring to FIG. 12, each outlet store 1204 has a copy of master registry database 1206. Registry purchases made at each outlet store are tracked by the respective outlet registry database 1204. Outlet registry databases are then resolved with the master registry 1206 periodically. The resolve operation typically comprises deducting, from the master registry, the registry items purchased at the outlet stores 1204. Because of the framework of system 100, it can serve as an additional on-line "outlet." An Internet accessible registry database 1202 equivalent to an outlet store database 1204 is placed on system 100. Guests make purchases from Internet accessible database 1202. Registrants may identify registries in Internet accessible database 1202 for aggregation purposes. Internet accessible registry database 1202 is resolved with master registry database 1206 periodically using the previously ~~disclose~~ disclosed upload module 128 and download module 130 services. A set up such as that disclosed in FIG. 12 provides a convenient method by which registry database providers can obtain an Internet presence without investment in special equipment. Further, because aggregation is database structure independent, no modification of master registry database 1206 is required when creating and supporting an Internet accessible database 1202.

REMARKS

The subject application is a continuation application of application Serial No. 10/273,326 filed on October 15, 2002, which, in turn, is a continuation of United States Patent 6,493,742. Application Serial No. 10/273,326 issued as United States Patent 6,618,753 on September 9, 2003.

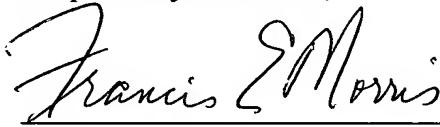
With this amendment, claims 1, and 33-108 have been cancelled without prejudice and new claims 109-169 have been added to more particularly claim certain aspects of the present invention. Upon entry of the instant amendment, claims 109-169 will be pending. No new matter has been added by the addition of the new claims.

CONCLUSION

Applicants respectfully request entry of the foregoing amendments and remarks into the file of the above-identified application.

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